



# Recycling Means Business Awards

## Call for Nominations



*South Carolina Recycling Business Forum  
September 22, 2005  
Michelin Conference Center  
Greenville, South Carolina*

## And the Winner is...

**The Recycling Market Development Advisory Council is pleased to call for nominations for businesses and industry that help contribute to the success of recycling in South Carolina.**

Recycling is big business in South Carolina, with some 300 companies employing 20,000 people and generating a \$1.4 billion economic impact. The Recycling Market Development Advisory Council, housed within the SC Department of Commerce, tracks the recycling industry for the state and works on programs to foster this important business sector.

Through the Business Recycling Assistance Program, a collaborative effort with the DHEC, companies and organizations receive market referrals that enable them to divert reusable materials from their dumpsters and put them back into the recycling economy.

Please join our efforts to recognize companies that create value-added products and services from materials that are recovered for recycling as well as the companies that have adopted a recycling ethic to conserve natural resources and save money on waste disposal.

The awards will be presented during lunch on Thursday, September 22 at noon, during the SC Recycling Business Forum, to be held at the Michelin Conference Center in Greenville.

Entries should consist of a completed entry form and a front-and-back page summary that contains your response to the evaluation criteria provided in the category description. Emailed entries are encouraged and digital photographs are welcome. If you send an electronic application, please make sure it's sent in Microsoft Word, as a PDF or text file and send it electronically to **Noel Hill** at [nhill@SCCommerce.com](mailto:nhill@SCCommerce.com) or by mail: **SC Department of Commerce  
1201 Main Street, Suite 1600  
Columbia, SC 29201**

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS 5:00 PM ON AUGUST 22, 2005.** Staff and volunteers will judge all entries. The Department reserves the right not to present an award in any category.

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Department of Commerce

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***Business Recycling Assistance  
Program (B-RAP) Awards:***

**Best Industry Recycling Award -**  
Recognizes a company that has implemented a successful waste reduction/recycling program as part of its business. Applicants should describe their efforts to achieve success in any or all of the following areas: waste reduction, byproduct reuse, recycling, and buying recycled or environmentally preferable products. Please include data about recycling or diversion rates, any outstanding educational efforts used to motivate employees, whether a team approach was incorporated and how recycling has positively impacted your business' operations.

**Best C&D Recycling Effort –** Recognizes a company or organization that has made exemplary strides to recycle construction and demolition debris. A fast-growing waste stream, C&D materials are more readily recyclable in our state and we're looking to share these successes. Please provide quantity information about materials diverted and what typical end-products may have resulted from your recycling efforts.

**Best Office Recycling Award –** Does your office recycle paper, cardboard, drink cans or bottles? How about toner cartridges and fluorescent bulbs? There may be even more that a successful office program can recycle and we want to hear your story. Also include information about your purchasing program if you incorporate recycled content products in your purchasing specifications and other pertinent information about how you promote recycling at work.

***Recycling Industry Awards:***

These awards recognize recycling companies that have experienced any or all of the following during the past year: increased revenue/sales, product innovation, enhanced customer service, created new jobs, and provided recycling outreach to its local community or the state.

**Best Small Recycling Company**  
Companies with fewer than 25 employees

**Best Medium-Sized Recycling Company**  
Companies with 26 – 100 employees

**Best Large Recycling Company**  
Companies with more than 100 employees

**Recycler of the Year –** Recognizes an individual who has exemplified leadership in supporting recycling for the past fiscal year (FY 2004-05). This person may work for a recycling business or for a company or organization that has implemented a successful waste reduction/recycling program. Nominees should demonstrate an ongoing interest in or support of recycling activities in the state, through a number of methods, including memberships in related organizations, serving on recycling related committees or events, and fostering greater recycling participation in local, state or national forums.



**Nomination Form:**

Award Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Company or Person Nominated: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Submitting Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Remember the deadline for entries is August 22, 2005.  
For more information, call 803-737-0239.*